

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
TECHNOLOGY CENTER 1614**

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:
John McMichael et al.

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For: METHOD OF TREATMENT OF
PSYCHOLOGICAL CONDITIONS BY
ADMINISTRATION OF NERVE GROWTH
FACTOR

Examiner: D. C. Jones

RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This paper is in response to the official action mailed January 22, 2007 finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 8-18 and 20-24. The present amendment complies with 37 C.F.R. § 1.116(b)(1) and (2) in placing issues in better condition for appeal. Accordingly, the applicants request that the Examiner exercise discretion in favor of entering the present amendment.

There are no amendments to the specification.

There are no amendments to the claims. The current status of the claims is reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.